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SUBJECT: PAROLE FOR INDOCHINESE REFUGEES: CASES OF NGUYEN NHU LU

AND TRINH DINH THIEN AND FAMILIES.

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 CONSULATE HAS A TOTAL OF ELEVEN VIETNAMESE REFUGEES RE APPLYING RPT REAPPLYING FOR PAROLE UNDER GROUP 3 OF REFTEL.

## 2. DETAILS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

A. FAMILY NO 1

LT.COL. NGUYEN NHU LU HEAD OF FAMILY

NGUYEN THI KIM DUNG WIFE
NGUYEN MINH PHUONG DAUGHTER
NGUYEN THUY LOAN DAUGHTER

NGUYEN ANH HUY SON NGUYEN NHU KUOI SON HOANG THI OC COUSIN

B. FAMILY NO 2.

MAJOR TRINH DINH THIEN HEAD OF FAMILY

NGUYEN THI BAO KHANH WIFE
TRINH DINH BAO CHAU DAUGHTER
TRINH DINH BAO NGOC DAUGHTER

C. NGUYEN THI KIM DUNG AND NGUYEN THI BAO KHANH ARE SISTERS OF NGUYEN THI TRUONG XUAN A REFUGEE PAROLED INTO THE U.S. AND UNCLASSIFIED

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WHO IS PRESENTLY A STUDENT AT CLAREMORE JUNIOR COLLEGE, OKLAHOMA.

D. LT. COL. LU WAS DIRECTOR OF SUPPLY AND BUDGET AT THE RURAL DEVELOPMENT MINISTRY FROM JANUARY 1965 TO FEBRUARY 1974.

IN THIS POSITION LT. COL. LU WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR CARRYING OUT THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS: PACIFICATION PROGRAM, HEALTH PROGRAM, EDUCATION PROGRAM, AGRICULTURE PROGRAM, PUBLIC WORKS PROGRAM, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY PROGRAM, FISHERY PROGRAM, IRRIGATION PROGRAM, YOUTH PROGRAM AND THE RURAL CREDIT PROGRAM. THESE PROGRAMS WERE AIMED AT DEVELOPING THE COUNTRYSIDE AND WERE LARGELY SUPPORTED BY AMERICAN AID. LT COL LU WORKED CLOSELY WITH MR. WILLIAM COLBY, THEN HEAD OF THE U.S. COUNTERPART IN MACV. MR. COLBY WAS AIDED BY MISTRESS JACOBSON, MACMANAWAY, VANN, HUSS, EVANS, AND DALY. LT COL LU ATTENDED THE ADVANCED INFANTRY COURSE AT FORT BENNING, GEORGIA FROM JANUARY 10 TO JULY 30, 1964 AND ATHE COUNTERINSURGENCY COURSE AT FORTBRAGG, N.C. FROM AUGUST 5, TO SEPTEMBER 15, 1964.

E. THE TWO FAMILIES AND MISS NGUYEN THI TRUONG XUAN LEFT SAIGON BY VN NAVY S/S HQZ ON APRIL 29, 1975. THEY ARRIVED AT SUBIC BAY ON MAY 6, AT GUAM ON MAY 7 AND FINALLY AT FORT CHAFFEE ARKANSAS ON MAY 9 VIA OVERSEAS NATIONAL AIRLINE.

F. LT COL. LU AND FAMILIES MADE AN APPLICATION FOR RESETTLEMENT THROUGH THE LUTHERAN IMMIGRATION AND REFUGEE SERVICE FILE NUMBER CV2060 LU FAMILY AND CV 2061 THIEN FAMILY. THE FAMILIES ALSO APPLIED TO GO TO MARTINIQUE THROUGH VOLAG INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMETTEE BECAUSE LT COL. LU'S WIFE UNCLE IS SETTLED THERE.

G. ON OCTOBER 2, 1975 THE SPONSORSHIP TO MARTINIQUE CAME IN THE FORM OF TWO "LAISSEZ-PASSER'S" VALID FOR MARTINIQUE. THE FAMILY ARRIVED IN MARTINIQUE ON OCTOBER 21, 1975.

H. ON OCTOBER 28, 1975 LT COL LU REQUESTED THE CONSULATE TO PERMIT TO RETURN TO U.S. TO TAKE UP A SPONSORSHIP WHICH HAD BEEN OFFERED BY THE LUTHERN IMMIGRATION AND REFUGEE SERVICE. LT COL. LU STRESSES THAT THE POLITICAL ATTITUDES OF THE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY AND HIS WIFE'S UNCLE DO NOT MAKE HIM WELCOME IN MARTINIQUE. IN ADDITION, THE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ARE NOT GOOD FOR HIM OR HIS BROTHER IN LAW. LT COL LU MAINTAINS THAT HAD HE BEEN UNCLASSIFIED

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PROPERLY INFORMED HE WOULD NEVER HAVE LEFT THE U.S.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE ADVISE CONSULATE IF IT WILL BE POSSIBLE FOR LT COL LU AND MAJOR THIEN AND FAMILIES TO RETURN TO U.S. AND RESETTLE WITH THEIR SISTER -IN-LAW IN OKLAHOMA. RANDALL

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